

Newtown Cultural Arts Commission

August 26, 2014

Meeting Minutes

The Newtown Cultural Arts Commission held a meeting on Tuesday August 26, 2014, at NCAC/HN offices at 14 West Street, Newtown

Members Present: Robert Rabinowitz, Donna Jennifer Rogers, Laura Lerman, Rob Kaiser, Ted Kreinik, Jen Cebry

Members Absent: Donna Randle, Andrea Spencer

Auxiliary Members: Patrick Kearney, Lindsay Kelkres, Maureen Trotto

Guests: Veronica Parsloe

Laura Lerman called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

- Minutes: Minutes of July 22, 2014, NCAC meeting, approved unanimously
 - Motion by Ted seconded by Jen C– passed unanimously
- Officers Report:
 - Laura Lerman (Chair): None
 - Jen Cebry (Vice Chair): None
 - Robert Rabinowitz (Secretary): None
- Treasurer’s Report (Donna Mangiafico)
 - Status of accounts
 - Requests for checks for Arts Festival due tomorrow, Wednesday Aug 27
- Grants (Veronica Parsloe)
 - Update on research into grants
 - Possible ideas to raise grants for:
 - Cultural Arts Center
 - Arts Festival
 - Performance
 - Discussion of starting a non-profit
 - Biographies – all commission members to provide bios
 - Committee to work with Veronica: Rob R, Jen C, Ted K
- Arts Festival
 - Terry Sagedy: absent
 - Laura – publicity going out
 - Jen C – Grounds
 - Electricity
 - Generator on hold
 - Jen R – Newsletter for Arts Festival, will collect info from Linda/Terry/Laura
- Scholarships & Grants (Laura)
 - Johnny Williams, winner from last year, has been named a Martha Stewart Finalist
 - Deadline for submitting to this years grants is next week
- Receiving Grants
 - Discussion of writing grants to fund future NCAC programs
- HealingNewtown

- Jen C will handle move, needs to know date/time
- Newsletter (Jen R & Lindsay) – Last newsletter came out end of July. There will be a Newsletter sent out specifically about the Art Festival.
- Document Retention Policy
 - We can take all applications and digitize, therefore Laura requests that we can get rid of the paper. Question: does town have server/cloud space for us to store information?
- Public Participation: None
- Other Business:
 - Labor Day Parade
 - Float & Tent

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 pm

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 23, 2014, NCAC/HealingNewtown Offices, Lower level Newtown Congregational Church, 14 West Street, Newtown at 7:00 PM.